

## LETTER

FROM THE

## SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

RECOMMENDING

*Deficiency appropriation for expenses of office of Auditor of Railroad Accounts.*

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JANUARY 19, 1880.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Washington, January 15, 1880.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, copy of a letter from the Auditor of Railroad Accounts relative to a deficiency of \$750 for traveling and incidental expenses of his office, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880.

I fully concur in the suggestion he makes, and respectfully recommend that appropriate legislative action be taken in the matter.

Very respectfully, &c.,

C. SCHURZ,  
*Secretary of the Interior.*

Hon. WM. A. WHEELER,  
*President United States Senate.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF RAILROAD ACCOUNTS,  
Washington, D. C., January 8, 1880.

SIR: I have the honor to state that of the amount appropriated for this office for the year ending June 30, 1880, for traveling and other expenses, \$1,500—and incidental expenses \$250—in all \$1,750—\$1,400 have been already expended in the inspection of railroads and the examination of accounts and incidental expenses of the office.

From the present time to the 30th of June, 1880, it is estimated there will be absolutely required for traveling and other expenses, the sum of \$1,100, which includes the examination of accounts of the railroad companies at Boston, Omaha, Cedar Rapids, Kansas City, Atchison, and San Francisco, and the inspection of more or less of the properties of railroad companies placed under this bureau.

By reference to page 43 of the book of estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, it will be found that the sum of \$2,500 was the

## 2 EXPENSES OF OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF RAILROAD ACCOUNTS.

amount estimated for this office for expenditures during the current fiscal year under these appropriations.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that the Congress be requested to pass a deficiency appropriation for the amount required, viz, \$750.

Very respectfully,

THEO'S FRENCH,  
*Auditor.*

Hon. C. SCHURZ,  
*Secretary of the Interior.*